## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Markus Eibl Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned

Application No.: Not Yet Assigned Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: HEREWITH Confirmation No.: Not Yet Assigned

For: CIGARETTE WITH INCREASED SELF-EXTINGUISHING TENDENCY

## CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date shown below and is addressed to: MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Express Mail No.: EV 303532681 US

Date: April 21, 2004

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present application and calculation of any fees please consider the following amendments and remarks: